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The Winnipeg Blue Bombers' newest quarterback, Drew Willy, says he'll stand with the players in case of a strike. The collective bargaining agreement between the CFL and the players ends Thursday at midnight ET. DAVID LIPNOWSKI/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Bombers QB Drew Willy backs players

CFL contract talks.
Ex-Roughrider ready to support teammates in event of a lockout

If a labour dispute does derail the start of the CFL season, new Winnipeg Blue Bombers quarterback Drew Willy says he's "100 per cent behind the players" and knows just what to do.

He was with the New York Jets in 2011 when the NFL locked out their players after they failed to agree on a new contract. Willy went undrafted but was given a look by four NFL teams before heading north.

"If there was something to happen, I'd make sure we were getting the guys together in Winnipeg ... getting our work in, obviously not in the building but somewhere around Winnipeg," he said Wednesday as the

Blue Bombers' rookie camp got underway. That's what quarterback Mark Sanchez did with the Jets during the four-month NFL lockout in 2011.

Not that Willy, 27, is looking forward to running a makeshift camp as he prepares to take the field for the first time as a starting quarterback in the CFL, after spending two seasons as a backup with the Saskatchewan Roughriders.

"Being a first-time starter, I need all the reps I can get but also I understand it is a business and I back the players," he said.

Things still remained very much up in the air Wednesday as the clock ticked down and talks lasted about 12 hours. Talks resume today. The collective bargaining agreement between the league and the players ends tonight at midnight ET, and a possible strike looms before the start of main camp Sunday.

Willy said he was looking

forward to throwing his first passes as a Blue Bomber on Investors Group Field as rookie camp got rolling Wednesday evening.

Willy had already spent a couple of days in the team's quarterback school with the Bombers' other three pivots, Robert Marve, Brian Brohm and Max Hall, the only active quarterback from last season the team elected to keep on their roster. Brohm was signed last season but went straight to the injured list.

The Bombers are hanging a lot on Willy's shoulders as they prepare for their second season in a new \$200-million-plus stadium that carries a hefty mortgage they must pay. But Willy isn't short confidence.

"I've been around some good coaches and players. I just need to take everything I've learned here and there, put it all together and go out there," he said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Bombers to announce new plan for transporting fans

Subsidy denied.
Blue president
refutes Mayor Sam
Katz's claims

A new plan for transporting football fans to Investors Group Field is well underway and may still include Winnipeg Transit, said the president and CEO of the Blue Bombers.

"We'll announce our plan next week," Wade Miller said on Wednesday, then referred to Tuesday's denial of a city subsidy. "We were fully prepared for this."

Mayor Sam Katz unleashed a war of words after Tuesday's city council meeting, when he

stated the football club wasn't given a subsidy — estimated at between \$650,000 and \$750,000 — due to its profitable financial situation and their unwillingness to attend a meeting with two members of the executive policy committee.

"I believe that the fact that their financials show that they were doing fairly well and have the opportunity to do even better probably had an impact on many councilors," said Katz, adding that Miller was lobbying every council member.

"As well as the situation when we were trying to bring some closure to this, there was an offer put forward to have a meeting with their

board and see what could be finalized, and they declined to have two members of EPC sit down and have a discussion. They just said there was no need for that."

However, Miller refuted the claims, stating that it was the mayor who was unwilling to meet with him.

"I'm happy to meet with the mayor any time and told him that. He did not want to meet with me," Miller added.

Football fans were quick to vent their anger on social media, with a few linking the city's decision to the Winnipeg Football Club board's rejection of Katz's appointee to the same board, Jeff Rabb.

"That's unfortunate but people, as you know, people make any comment. That's really irrelevant, that has nothing to do with it," said Katz.

"I'm not pushing that issue, the only comment I can make to you is that they're totally unrelated, one has nothing to do with the other."



Bombers CEO Wade Miller speaks to media earlier this year. CONTRIBUTED/CHRISD.CA

For the fans

"It's a substantial expense, but we want to make sure our fans get to the games."

Wade Miller, president and CEO of the Blue Bombers

Stats Can

Manitoba ranks highest among provinces in child sex assaults

Manitoba has the highest rate of police-reported sexual assaults against children among the 10 provinces, according to a report from Statistics Canada.

The report released Wednesday shows 316 children per 100,000 under the age of 18 reported being victims

of sexual assault to police in 2012. The national rate in 2012 was 205 per 100,000.

Saskatchewan was just behind Manitoba with a rate of 306 for every 100,000 children, and Ontario had the lowest rate at 170.

The rates of police-reported sexual assaults against children in the territories were far higher than the rest of the country with Yukon recording a rate of 514, Northwest Territories showing 895, and Nunavut recording 878 reports per 100,000 in 2012. **METRO**

Pembina Highway

Winnipeg police release photos of robbery suspect

Police have released surveillance video photos of a man wearing plaid pants they'd like to speak with following a robbery at a Pembina Highway gas bar earlier this month. The fashion-minded suspect made off with cash from the gas bar just before midnight on May 9.

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Osborne Village

Police investigate group assault on man outside bar

Police are looking for a group of males after a man was assaulted outside an Osborne Village bar just after closing time Sunday morning. A 31-year-old man sustained serious upper-body injuries after police say a group of up to six men attacked him outside the bar. **METRO**

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Premier Greg Selinger announced Wednesday design work is underway to have a new interchange built at the intersection of Highway 59 and the Perimeter Highway. SHANE GIBSON/METRO

Highway 59 gets new interchange at Perimeter Highway

Roadwork ahead. Interchange plans to be made public within next two months



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Manitoba's busiest intersection outside of Winnipeg is getting its long-awaited new interchange.

Premier Greg Selinger said Wednesday design work is underway on a new interchange

at Highway 59 and the Perimeter Highway, years after the work was originally planned.

"We have the resources, we have the commitment to build infrastructure, and we have the public saying this is a priority for them," he told media. "This particular project has been needing to be done for a long time and now we can get on with it."

Selinger said construction of the new intersection—which will see that section of the north Perimeter Highway twinned and cross over Highway 59—will likely start in the fall of

2015 and be completed over a three-year period. He said the cost of the intersection will be over and above the \$160 million previously budgeted for work on the highway.

The final cost of the new interchange will depend on whether a cloverleaf or a less expensive diamond intersection is chosen, according to Lance Vigfusson, assistant deputy minister of infrastructure and transportation. He said the diamond option could cost up to \$150 million, while the cloverleaf would likely come in closer to the \$200-million mark.

Online lodge brochure offends aboriginals

A northern Manitoba fishing lodge faced accusations of racism Wednesday over an online visitors guide that says aboriginals cannot handle alcohol.

"We take great care when hiring our staff, however the subject of native guides must be touched upon," reads a section of the 37-page brochure for Laurie River Lodge near Lynn Lake.

"We use Cree Indian guides from the town of Pukatawagan (sic) in northern Manitoba. They are wonderful people and fun to fish with however, like all native North Americans, they have a basic intolerance for alcohol. Please do not give my guides alcohol under any circumstances."

Arlen Dumas, chief of the Mathias Colomb First Nation,

which includes Pukatawagan, has written a letter demanding an apology from the lodge to every one of its aboriginal employees. David Harper, grand chief of the Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak, which represents First Nations across northern Manitoba, was outraged.

"It's totally derogatory, totally treating us like an animal. Basically, you're saying, 'Do not feed the bears, right? Don't give alcohol to these First Nations. Nobody in their right mind would say such comments.'"

Brent Fleck of Laurie River Lodge apologized for the comments by phone. "It was a total mistake and should not have been in there. It's an old trip planning guide that I've used for like 15 years and I had

Angry Facebook posts

The lodge's Facebook page received more than a dozen posts Wednesday denouncing the brochure's wording.

- "Disgusting ... it speaks volumes of your own intolerance to basic intelligence," read one comment.
- "An incredible display of racism," read another.

no idea that that was even in there," he said, adding an apology to staff and the chief of Pukatawagan was issued.

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Proposed referendum question on rapid transit non-binding

The proposed referendum question on the future of \$590-million rapid transit is non-binding and includes several other infrastructure projects as a spending alternative.

The motion on the referendum question—the brainchild of Coun. Jeff Browaty—was tabled during Tuesday's city council meeting and automatically referred to executive policy committee

(EPC).

Browaty pledged to bring a motion forward following the May 21 EPC meeting and in the wake of a report that asked for council approval on a P3 annual service/financing payment of \$19.7 million starting in 2020, which is when the second phase is to open.

The referendum question asks Winnipeggers if they support spending \$590 mil-

lion "while current regional street renewal budgets remain significantly underfunded" and major projects such as the \$129-million Kenaston widening, \$150-million Waverley Underpass and \$100-million Louise Bridge replacement "remain unfunded."

Browaty said, "I think those are all priority projects that would help move traffic."

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Sen. Romeo Dallaire resigning to focus on humanitarian causes

'An extraordinary Canadian.' Former UN commander in Rwanda will serve last day in the upper chamber on June 17

Liberal Sen. Romeo Dallaire, a career soldier best known in Canada as the former commander of the UN's ill-fated peacekeeping mission in Rwanda, is resigning — not retiring, he insists — from the upper chamber.

Dallaire's last day in the Senate will be June 17, after which he intends to focus attention on a growing portfolio of international humanitarian work, the square-jawed senator told a news conference Wednesday.

The decision has nothing to do with either the shadow of scandal that has loomed over



Sen. Romeo Dallaire smiles as he answers a question during a news conference in Ottawa Wednesday.

ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

the Senate for more than a year, or with the Rwandan-born post-traumatic stress disorder that has haunted him for 20 years, he said.

Rather, the 68-year-old Dallaire said he felt there simply wasn't enough time in his schedule to be a senator while also pursuing causes close to his heart that are related to defence and human rights in the

international arena.

"I have an awful lot of work ahead of me, and it was important for me to leave at this point."

Dallaire said resigning has left him with a "torn heart" because his nine years in the Senate allowed him to champion issues including veterans and their families, a strong military to help ensure global peace, anti-terrorism, aboriginal rights and better intelligence oversight.

While Dallaire's news came as a surprise, it was quickly followed by glowing praise from all political quarters.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper thanked the senator via Twitter for his service, Conservative Sen. Hugh Segal said he was "devastated" to hear of his colleague's decision, calling it "a huge loss," and NDP Leader Tom Mulcair called Dallaire "an extraordinary Canadian."

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Sorry, that's not how you become a polar bear

Talk about an uncomfortable spot for a snooze. A black bear north of Shellbrook, Sask., decided to take a power nap atop a power pole last Friday after he escaped a pair of dogs. According to a SaskPower spokesperson, customer Tyler Hopson alerted the company to the animal, and crews were then dispatched to check out the bedtime bear. "It's kind of an unusual thing," the spokesman said. "He did manage to get down from the pole safely, and is not injured as far as we know and didn't do any damage to the pole or cause any sort of power outage." COURTESY SASKPOWER

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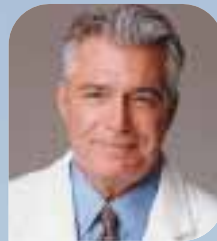
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MyoMotion: the new gold standard

By Dr Marcus Laux ND
Naturopathic Physician, Author



Joint pain is one of the biggest afflictions aggravating all of us! Not surprisingly, products touting miraculous pain relief are everywhere. Do they really work? Well, that all depends on how you define "work." Many conventional offerings "work" by disconnecting your ability to sense your pain. It's like taking the batteries out of the smoke detector, but not putting out the fire. Plus, they have potentially dangerous side effects and can accelerate your joints demise. A quick "fix" is not a healing treatment.

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It's pain relieving power proves stellar again in it's sustained benefits, as featured in other clinical research. In comparison to the prescription celecoxib, it provided the equivalent pain relief at both 30 days and the study's long term measure, 90 days. (Maintenance dose: 250 mg BID). (3)

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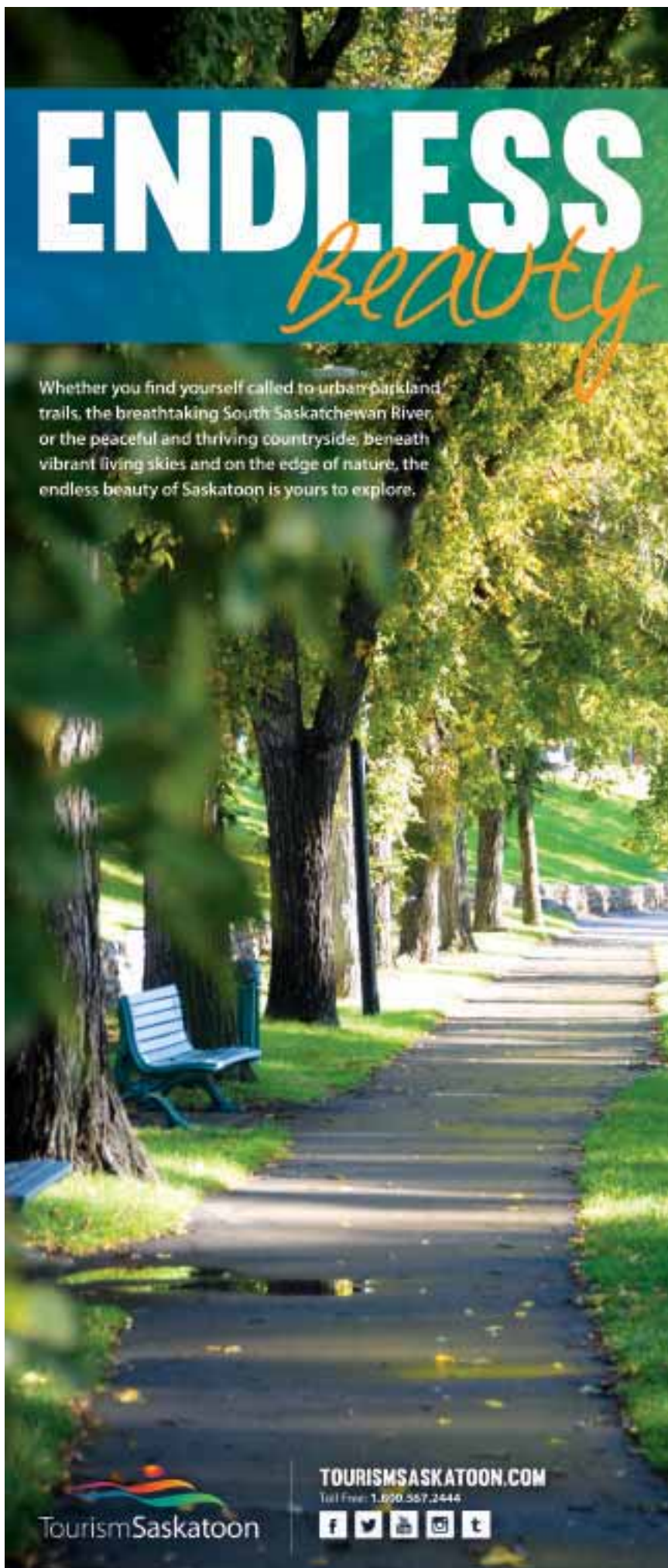
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Fontana defends himself on stand at fraud trial

'Stupid' mistake.

RCMP charged London, Ont., mayor because they believe he was trying to skim \$1,700 from public purse



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The judge presiding over the criminal trial of London, Ont., Mayor Joe Fontana has given the defence reason to believe that its case has made an impression.

After testimony ended Wednesday, Superior Court Justice Bruce Thomas told both sides to be prepared to focus their final submissions on only one of the three charges Fontana is



London, Ont., Mayor Joe Fontana walks to court Wednesday, Day 3 of his trial. DAVE CHIDLEY/THE CANADIAN PRESS

facing.

Fontana is charged with fraud under \$5,000, breach of trust by a public official and uttering forged documents in connection with a \$1,700 cheque from Public Works Canada.

The Crown alleges he in-

tended to pocket the money to make up for a deposit he paid on his son's June 2005 wedding reception at the Marconi Club.

But Thomas said on Wednesday that, should he accept the defence's argument that Fontana made a self-admitted "stupid" mistake and had no criminal intent, both sides should be prepared to argue whether Fontana forged a document. Defence witnesses corroborated Fontana's story.

The RCMP charged Fontana because they believe he was trying to skim \$1,700 off the public purse for himself.

When Fontana testified in his own defence, he denied assistant Crown attorney Tim Zuber's accusation that he was trying to fool Ottawa bureaucrats into reimbursing him.

The case will wrap up Thursday.

Somalia

Female soldiers joining the army

It's unusual to see a female in the military in traditionally conservative Somali society. But several determined women are joining the army.

Somali officials report female army recruits have increased following the ouster from the capital in 2011 of the Islamic extremist rebels of al-Shabab. According to estimates, about 1,500 women are now in the military of 20,000.

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U.S. policy

Drone strikes to continue: Obama

Barack Obama said Wednesday he will continue to "take direct action" by ordering drone strikes and capture operations. The U.S. president also restated a policy disclosed last May that drone strikes will not occur unless there's "near certainty" that civilians will not be harmed. Strikes have been carried out in Pakistan, Yemen and Somalia.

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New crew off to space station

In this photo the Soyuz-FG rocket booster with the Soyuz TMA-13M space ship blasts off at the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan. The Soyuz booster rocket lifted off as scheduled at 1:57 a.m., local time, on Thursday, carrying a new crew to the International Space Station.

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Skin cancer survivors warn it could happen to you

Take precautions.

Though the incidences of some cancers are declining, melanoma cases are on the rise

Ian Anderson is one of the 2.5 per cent.

After his first diagnosis of melanoma, the Brampton, Ont., man was told that without immediate treatment he would be dead within two months. After his second, he was informed that if 100 people were in his shoes, 97.5 would not make it to the five-year mark, the standard measuring stick for beating a cancer.

Nineteen years after the second occurrence, Anderson, now 56, is still around to tell the tale — in his ever-present hat and sunscreen, which he slathers on religiously.

"I'm living proof that it can happen," says Anderson, who



Cancer survivor Caitlin Jones was an avid indoor tanner until she discovered that a spot on her forehead was basal cell carcinoma. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

now counsels people diagnosed with melanoma.

Anderson's story is one of optimism, but also of reality. While he's living proof some lucky people can survive Stage 4 melanoma, he is also confirmation that people who don't take sun precautions can develop the deadly disease.

Another survivor, Caitlin Jones, was an avid indoor tanner until she discovered at age

23 that a spot on her forehead just below her hair line was basal cell carcinoma, which comprises about four out of five non-melanoma skin cancers.

Jones had surgery to remove a quarter-sized piece of skin to excise the cancer — a procedure that altered her view on tanning. She notes that around the same time some of her friends' parents were also dealing with skin cancers.

By the numbers

Some estimates about cancer in Canada this year:

- **6,500.** Number of new melanoma cases. Of those, 1,050 Canadians will die from this form of cancer.
- **191,300.** Number of new overall cancer diagnoses. Of those, 76,600 Canadians will die from some sort of cancer.

The Canadian Cancer Society worries that more people will hear the kinds of frightening diagnoses Anderson and Jones did in the future.

That's because skin cancers — particularly melanoma — are the most common in Canada. While the incidences of some cancers are actually going down, melanoma cases are on the rise, in both women and men. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

PBDEs. Chemicals linked to lower IQ in children, B.C. researchers say

Researchers in B.C. say lower IQ and greater hyperactivity in young children appears to be significantly linked to a woman's exposure to flame retardants during early pregnancy.

The Simon Fraser University study found there's an association between women being exposed to a 10-fold increase of certain chemicals when their baby's brain is developing and a 4.5-point drop in the standard measure of intelligence.

The chemicals of concern are polybrominated diphenyl ethers, known as PBDEs, which have been widely used to prevent the spread of fire in furniture, carpet padding and car seats.

Researcher and health sciences Prof. Bruce Lanphear says North Americans are likely exposed to higher amounts of PBDEs than people in other parts of the world, and it could take decades to flush the chemicals from their environments.

The study suggests the impact of the chemicals is comparable to exposure to lead, which was once used in various products including paint and pipes in homes and offices.

The long-term study, published online in the journal Environmental Health Perspectives, followed more than 300 U.S. women from 16 weeks of pregnancy to when their children were five years old. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Top places to find PBDEs

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New aim in climate change fight

Environmental groups have fired legal warning shots at major energy companies over their alleged role in funding climate change denial and blocking climate-friendly legislation.

Greenpeace and the World Wildlife Fund have sent letters to international and Canadian companies asking how they manage public communication on climate

change.

They say spreading misinformation could leave company officers open to legal liability.

Keith Stewart of Greenpeace Canada says the letters are the first step in a long-term campaign to use the law to prevent the energy industry from delaying action on climate change.

He says the strategy was

Quoted

"We're laying the groundwork for court cases to come."

Keith Stewart of Greenpeace Canada

inspired by the ultimately successful campaign to make tobacco companies liable

for sowing doubt about the health effects of their products.

The letter has been sent to five Canadian companies: Suncor, Talisman Energy, Husky Energy, EnCana and Canadian Natural Resources.

It has also gone out to 45 multinationals, including many with operations or subsidiaries in Canada.

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Sara Schultz, World Vision's child health policy adviser, who is eight months pregnant, aims to urge world leaders to focus on the millions of "invisible" children and women

UNICEF's Canada

Maternal health summit. UN Children's Fund head lauds courage of Nigerian schoolgirls as conference opens

Efforts to improve the health of newborns and their mothers in poor countries must also include protecting them from violence, such as the terror caused by Boko Haram in Nigeria, says the head of the UN Children's Fund.

UNICEF chief Anthony Lake offered that assessment in an interview Wednesday with The Canadian Press prior to the opening of Stephen Harper's international conference on maternal, newborn and child health.

Lake lauded the prime minister's leadership in helping children and mothers in developing countries as he heaped praise on the courage of the teenage girls kidnapped by Boko Haram in northern Nigeria.

He said he would raise his concerns about child pro-

tection in a private meeting later Wednesday with Harper's international development minister, Christian Paradis.

"Paradis is passionate about the protection issue," Lake said in a wide-ranging interview.

As for Harper, Lake said: "He has led the way on this and Canada has delivered and is delivering, again 80 per cent of its commitment at Muskoka."

Harper unveiled the Muskoka Initiative at the G8 summit Canada hosted in 2010, and it has become the government's signature development priority. Harper committed \$2.8 billion over five years to the issue in 2010, but a coalition of Canadian agencies is calling on him to up the ante to \$3.25 billion.

At a side event Wednesday at The Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, the government announced a \$98-million contribution to the UN World Food Program to improve nutrition, a key area that Canada's programming on kids and moms is targeting. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Reunion for Congolese adoptees

Thirty-one children who had been blocked for months from leaving Congo with their adoptive parents arrived in Rome on Wednesday aboard an Italian government plane for a joyful, long-delayed reunion with their new families.

The children ran excitedly into their parents' arms at Ciampino airport after an overnight flight from the

western African nation. Congo suspended all international adoptions last year, citing fears some children might later have been trafficked.

None of the allegations involved adoptions by Italians, and Italy's premier personally intervened in the case.

Maria Elena Boschi, an Italian government minister who accompanied the children from Congo, said "they

went crazy when, from the plane's windows, they spotted their parents" waiting on the tarmac.

The mother of two of the children, girls ages seven and nine, was ecstatic. "Happiness, happiness. I saw my two children. I kissed them and I hugged them," said Laura Mancinelli.

The parents were forced to leave Congo without their

children when their visas expired, after spending months there waiting for final paperwork and hoping for a policy change from the Congolese government. The children stayed behind in the care of Italian nuns.

Boschi sported a braid woven into her hair by one of the girls during the flight. She said all the children are healthy. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

chief says delivers

Threat to girls' education

Kidnapping highlights larger issue

The Boko Haram kidnapping was on the minds of many at the three-day summit on maternal and child health, which will hear from philanthropist Melinda Gates, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, the Aga Khan and Queen Rania of Jordan.

UNICEF chief Anthony Lake said the Nigerian kidnapping draws attention to one of the underlying causes of the health threats faced by young mothers and girls in impoverished, war-torn countries: the importance of overcoming the threat to girls' education posed by militant groups.

"The words almost fail me about how strongly I feel about this," said Lake, who has been a senior adviser to U.S. presidents Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton.

"These are not victims. These are people who are acting with greater courage than I think you or I could probably summon under horrendous circumstances. And we shouldn't be condescending to them by saying we are saving them. We are supporting them."

Lake suggested western donors, weary of funding one crisis after another, should adjust their view of people in developing countries who persevere in the face of dire circumstances, including natural disasters.

Lake and other high-profile guests are to address the conference in the coming days, where Harper is expected to announce more funds.

Since 1990, the deaths of mothers in childbirth and among children under age five have been cut in half, but each year, 2.9 million newborn babies die, while 2.6 million are stillborn, mostly in African countries.

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Investors could be chanting olé, olé

Goldman Sachs report. Stocks of the World Cup winner outperform the global market ... in the month after the win

Winning the soccer World Cup can bring instant rewards to that country's stock market investors. But they better be quick as the post-victory rally doesn't last long.

That's the conclusion of investment bank Goldman Sachs, which published a wide-ranging report on the World Cup and its economic impact.

Goldman Sachs analysts found "a clear pattern of out-performance by the winning team in the weeks after the World Cup final." On average, the victorious country's stocks outperform the global market by 3.5 per cent in the first month, the investment



Enjoy it while it lasts: Investors had as much to celebrate as Spanish soccer fans after the country's World Cup win against the Netherlands in 2010, but market gains for winning nations tend to be short-lived. ARTURO RODRIGUEZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

bank's strategy team said.

The conclusions are based on statistics since 1974 (when

West Germany beat the Netherlands), and appear to be fairly consistent over time.

Only Brazil failed to outperform after its win in 2002, largely because the football-

mad nation was consumed by recession and a currency crisis.

"In the absence of a severe economic crisis, the winner tends to enjoy the spoils of success in the markets for a brief period at least," Peter Oppenheimer, Goldman Sachs' chief global equity strategist, said in the report published late Tuesday.

A notable exception was Spain, whose stock market rallied 5.7 per cent in the month after the national team won in 2010 its first World Cup — even though the country, along with many of its peers in Europe, was in the midst of an economic and financial crisis.

Investors should be careful, however, not to think that such euphoria will yield longer-lasting gains.

"Sentiment can only take you so far, in markets at least — the winning nation doesn't tend to hold on to its

gains and, on average, sees its stock market underperform by around four per cent over the year following the final," Oppenheimer said. "The message seems to be: enjoy the gains while they last."

For the country that loses the final, Goldman Sachs found a more modest out-performance of two per cent in the first month as the runners-up "seem to experience a post-final bout of the blues."

However, Goldman Sachs found that figure is heavily skewed by the fact that Argentina enjoyed a 33 per cent outperformance in the month after it lost the 1990 World Cup final to Germany as it was recovering from a prior stock market collapse and currency devaluation. Aside from this, Goldman Sachs found that seven of the nine losing finalists underperformed by 1.4 per cent.

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Dow Jones: 16,633.18 (-42.32)

Valeant Pharmaceuticals

Quebec company ups its bid price for Botox maker

Valeant Pharmaceuticals increased its hostile offer to buy Botox-maker Allergan on Wednesday and threatened to bypass the board by taking it directly to shareholders.

However, analysts suggested Valeant may have to raise its offer again.

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The future is now

Here is a very early version of Google's prototype self-driving car. It will have no steering wheel. It doesn't need one because it drives itself. The two-seater won't be sold publicly, but Google said Tuesday it hopes by this time next year, 100 prototypes will be on public roads. GOOGLE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CEO of Exxon Mobil

'Business as usual' in Russia despite sanctions: Exxon

The CEO of Exxon Mobil says U.S. sanctions against Russian officials are having no effect on his company's activities there.

Rex Tillerson also says that he is skeptical of sanctions and has discussed his view with U.S. government officials. Tillerson made the comments Wednesday after

Exxon Mobil Corp.'s annual meeting.

U.S. sanctions over Russia's annexation of Crimea have targeted the president of Russia's largest oil company, Rosneft, but not the company itself. Exxon has an exploration and production agreement with Rosneft in the Russian arctic and Siberia.

"There has been no impact on any of our business activities in Russia to this point," with Rosneft, Tillerson told reporters.

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WHAT A WONDERFUL WORLD?

Is the world getting better or worse?

It's a question that's been debated for decades by a diverse array of middle-aged white men with post-secondary educations. Happy that my people are getting a voice, I've given the issue a lot of thought myself.

I'm torn. On one hand, the world sucks; on the other, it sucks to a lesser magnitude than any time since the Space Odyssey monolith taught us how to brain our fellow monkeys.

The world feels like it's getting worse, but that's just human nature. It's the same phenomenon that allows us to believe that every generation but our own is the one destroying the Earth.

When we were young, we convinced ourselves that our generation was the most hard-done-by ever, which is why the peace and prosperity of the early 1990s still managed to produce teens sulking to Nirvana and Smashing Pumpkins. Then we got older and convinced ourselves that young people were out of control. I'm reaching the age where friends talk about "the teens on the bus" or "the



HE SAYS
John Mazerolle
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kids at the mall" as if they are a consolidated trade union with the united goal of making life miserable for normal people. Whether we blame the selfish baby boomers or the irresponsible youth, everyone thinks the world is spinning out of control. But what is the reality?

Here are some of the key arguments when weighing Louis Armstrong's "What a wonderful world" against the Wicked Witch of the West's "Oh what a world!"

Resolved — the world is getting better
Pro:

"The intertwined world economy means it's rare for two countries with McDonald's to go to war, most likely because people are too winded to lift their weapons and too big to wedge themselves into their tank holes.

* Thanks to the miracle of the Internet, literally anyone with a minor rash can spend a few minutes online and confidently diagnose themselves with cancer.

* Game of Thrones is so awesome right now.

* Previously intractable problems such as extreme poverty can now be solved with a clever hashtag.

* The world is united as never before thanks to its shared hatred of Kim and Kanye.

Con:

* While countries with McDonald's rarely fight each other, hundreds of thousands have died in the Denny's Wars.

* "Statisticians" will try to tell you that life expectancy is getting higher, but did you know that every single person on Earth is closer to death today than they were yesterday?

* YouTube comments.

* The government knows everything about me, including my PIN, my taste for online rap battles, and that when I'm in a rush I use Head & Shoulders as impromptu bodywash, despite the anatomical specificity of its name.

* Genetically modified strawberries are watery and flavourless.

Five arguments for and five against, so you can see why I haven't yet reached a conclusion. My gut feeling is that the world is better than it's ever been, but that climate change is a sizable wild card that could drastically increase violent weather, destroy the world's agriculture and sink entire cities. Darn kids.

ZOOM

Made of spur parts



Black Hawk is a scrap-iron sculpture of a life-size plow horse pulling a single bottom plow, made by 43-year-old artist John Lopez, based in Lemmon, S.D. JOHN LOPEZ/REX FEATURES

South Dakota

Artist turns metal into animals

The heavy beasts look like they're up for a scrap — scrap metal, that is. These sculptures are the work of artist John Lopez, who welds the pieces from abandoned farm machinery. Based in Lemmon, S.D., the 43-year-old has created full-size replicas of animals such as a horse, buffalo and even a triceratops dinosaur. **MWN**

Artist's viewpoint

"I moved to my uncle's ranch to make a family cemetery. But after finishing a perimeter fence I ran out of material and, being 35 miles from the nearest town, had to search for usable scrap iron on site. It led on to working with the metal as art material."

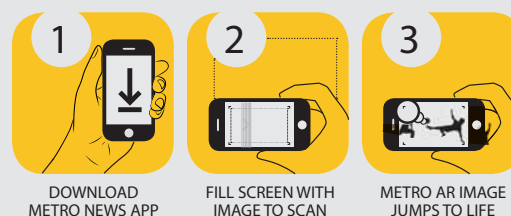
John Lopez, scrap-metal artist

Favorite weld-work

'The plow horse is a part of our past'

Out of all the critters welded, the scrap-iron plow horse named Black Hawk is Lopez's most prized creation. "The plow horse is a symbol worldwide that we all understand to be a part of our past and history. We depended on them so much before modern machinery was invented," the artist says. "I think Black Hawk is the one I am most proud of." **MWN**

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They're happy tears



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Listen. This is a crucial warning.

This video of Mr. G, a very sad and lonely goat being reunited with his best pal, Jellybean the burro, is a festival of tears. Not lock-yourself-indoors-with-Enya-songs-and-a-tub-of-ice-cream tears, mind you. More the redemptive kind.

So as long as you're OK with being a little tear-streaked — or at least misty — in public, then by all means, go right ahead.

One last warning: Mute the sound if you don't like terrible music. (AnimalPlace/YouTube)



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This gutsy comedian isn't afraid to be a bit Forward

Stand-up star. Mark's act isn't entirely improvised, but he reserves the right to 'go off and play'



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No two of Mark Forward's performances are the same.

Before he was a stand-up comedian, Forward attended Humber College's theatre program and studied improv with former Second City director Allan Guttman. Those experiences gave the Toronto comic the tools necessary to go with the flow onstage.

"I think all stand-ups should have an act and I have that, which means I can also go off and play," Forward says. "Have you ever seen comics that say the exact same words every night? They rub their eye at the exact same time and they take a drink at the exact same time. What is that? That's not performing. That's just a robot. I don't know how they do it."

"I'm not saying everybody should throw out their act and say whatever they want, but I love to do different stuff and go where the room wants to go. When all that runs out, you



Toronto comedian Mark Forward brings his unique brand of humour to the Park Theatre on Saturday. CONTRIBUTED

go back to the act. That's how I like to work."

Sometimes Forward's improvised interactions with his audience can seem combative, even abusive, but the majority of the crowd knows he's just playing around.

"If I'm smiling, it's playing," Forward says. "It's funny because I used to get genuinely angry, and that happens to everybody. You walk off with your big head and go 'Why didn't they find me funny?' Well, you're a f— a—hole,

nobody wants to watch a prick, but the weird thing is if you add a smile or a giggle and then they're in on it. 'OK, he doesn't really think I'm a piece of garbage.'"

With his ability to ad lib and an almost surreal sense of hu-

Check it out

Mark Forward performs two shows at the Park Theatre on Saturday. Toronto comedian Steve Dylan opens the show. Tickets are \$17 at ticketfly.com. Show times are 7:30 and 10:30 p.m.

mour, Forward, who played the weird librarian on Mr. D and stars alongside Alison Brie and Colin Hanks in the soon-to-be-released film *No Stranger Than Love*, is one of the most unique comics on the scene.

Of course, being different also means Forward doesn't appeal to everyone, a fact he's fine with.

"I don't want to appeal to everybody," Forward says. "I remember a comic once told me that means you're doing something right. I came off one night and said 'That crowd hated me,' and he goes, 'And the other half loved you, so you're doing it right.'"

Quoted

"I love to do different stuff and go where the room wants to go."

Mark Forward, stand-up comedian

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Maya Angelou: 1928-2014

In this 1971 photo, Renaissance woman and cultural pioneer Maya Angelou poses with a copy of her book, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*, one of the most widely read memoirs of the past few decades. Angelou died Wednesday morning at her home in Winston-Salem, N.C., her son, Guy B. Johnson, said in a statement. The 86-year-old had been a professor of American studies at Wake Forest University since 1982. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Lost tapes. Queen to release tracks featuring Mercury

Queen are to release new tracks featuring Freddie Mercury's vocals by the end of the year, the British rock group's guitarist Brian May said.

The songs, dating back to the 1980s, will be released on a compilation album, May told BBC radio.

Lead singer Mercury died of AIDS-related pneumonia in 1991. Four years later, Queen released *Made In Heaven*, their final studio album with the iconic frontman, painstakingly constructing some fresh songs from lines of vocals he left behind.

But May said more tapes in the vault had come to light.

"We found a few more tracks with Freddie singing and all of us playing, and they're quite beautiful, so people will be hearing this work towards the end of the year," the 66-year-old said.

"We're going to put out an album which probably is called *Queen Forever*, and it's a compilation, but it will have this new material which nobody in the world has ever heard. And I think people will



Late Queen singer Freddie Mercury. **JEAN-CLAUDE COUTAUSS/AFIP**

really enjoy it."

In their current form, the songs do not have the bombastic Queen sound, but May and drummer Roger Taylor — bassist John Deacon retired in 1997 — are giving them the band's trademark anthem touch.

"It wouldn't have been if we hadn't done this restoration job on it because you have to start from scratch really, because we only had scraps," May said. "But knowing how it would've happened if we'd finished it then, I can sit there and make it happen, with modern technology."

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California

Judge dismisses guardianship case over Paul Walker's daughter

Los Angeles Superior Court Commissioner David J. Cowan dismissed a guardianship case over Meadow Rain Walker after hearing from Amy Nieman, an attorney appointed to represent the 15-year-old.

Nieman said Meadow Walker's mother, Rebecca Soteros, has been spending time with her daughter while receiving treatment for alcoholism and is currently sober.

She says the teenager is being cared for by a nanny who has helped raise Meadow Walker for roughly two years.

Paul Walker's mother petitioned for a guardianship over her granddaughter but asked to dismiss it, citing Meadow Walker's wishes.

The *Fast & Furious* franchise star died in a November car crash.

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Netflix

Charlie Cox to play Daredevil

Online content platform Netflix has cast British actor Charlie Cox in the lead for its new production on Marvel's blind superhero. The 13-episode miniseries will arrive in 2015.

Cox is the first recruit for Netflix's new collection of four miniseries, each featuring a different Marvel superhero. The platform plans to introduce its subscribers to Jessica Jones, Iron Fist and Luke Cage.

Daredevil battles injustice both during the day, as a lawyer named Matt Murdock, and at night as his superhero alter ego with hyper-developed senses. **AFP**



Charlie Cox. **BEN STANSALL/AFIP**

True Detective writer reveals Season 2 details

California screamin'

New setting, characters planned for next season

MELINDA TAUB

Metro World News in New York City

HBO's *True Detective* took the police procedural highbrow. Instead of wooden acting and formulaic plots, *True Detective* brought us great performances by Woody Harrelson and Matthew McConaughey and one knotty, decade-spanning mystery. It was a huge hit.

However, the series' decade-long structure made it next to impossible for leads McConaughey and Harrelson to return for a second season (plus they're pretty busy being movie stars). *True Detective* writer Nic Pizzolatto confirmed this week that Season 2 will ditch the Louisiana setting entirely and start fresh with a new cast. "It takes place in California — not Los Angeles but some of the much lesser-known venues of California — and we're going to try to



Woody Harrelson and Matthew McConaughey in HBO's *True Detective*. **HBO**

capture a certain psychosphere of the place, much like we did in Season 1," he told NPR.

Pizzolatto says that the new season of *True Detective* will have three leads instead of two. According to unofficial casting breakdowns obtained by Deadline, the three characters you'll soon be obsessed with are a 40-something male detective/cop, a 20-something male cop, and — be still my heart — a 30-something female detective.

So who will the new cast be?

Rumour had it that Jessica Chastain would play a role, but she's since confirmed that she turned it down. Brad Pitt, Josh Brolin, and Taylor Kitsch have also been mentioned. However, Pizzolatto says it's too soon to discuss.

"The characters are all new, but I'm deeply in love with each of them," he said on NPR. "We've got the entire series broken out with a couple of scripts, and we'll probably start casting in earnest in the coming months."

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How to elicit Piercing laughter



Pierce Brosnan and Emma Thompson star in *The Love Punch*, which is in theatres now. CONTRIBUTED

The Love Punch.
Brosnan has no problem laughing at his age or past roles



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Metro World News in Hollywood

Pierce Brosnan isn't afraid to poke fun at himself or his age — or his time playing James Bond and Thomas Crowne — in the pursuit of a good laugh. Plus, going for those laughs opposite Emma Thompson doesn't hurt. Brosnan and Thompson play bickering exes in writer-director Joel Hopkins' *The Love Punch*, about a regular couple who get carried away with a jewel heist as revenge against the callous French banker who tanked their retirement fund.

It's hard to believe this is the first time you've teamed up with Emma Thompson. How was it working with her?

Oh, it was out-of-the-box great. Such a memorable summer it was. We hit the ground running Day One, scene one, like we'd been working together forever. We'd wanted to work with each other for many years. There's just a real fondness for each other, and from my point of view she's just

such a gifted lady — beautiful, gifted, kind, gracious, affable. If she was here I wouldn't get a word in edgewise. She is just wildly entertaining.

This film sneaks in some fun nods to your time as James Bond and other previous work.

I certainly got the jokes within the jokes — dressing up in a wetsuit, scaling a rubber mountain, stealing a diamond. Of course. If not now, when? Joel and I had talked often about this kind of humour and this kind of film. So all of the ingredients were just ripe for the doing.

It is odd, though, to see Timothy Spall in a wetsuit.

It's quite a sight to behold. They gave him the wrong size wetsuit. They had to slit it up the back — you can actually see it in the film if you freeze it. Poor Timothy, he was miserable. And they gave him a three-day, and it was a summer's day. It was so hot.

The locations did seem fairly pleasant.

Bliss, utter joy. It started in the South of France at the Carlton Hotel. I woke up, it was a gorgeous morning, I fed the seagulls that came to my little balcony suite that I had at the top of the hotel. I went down and we all met each other and

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"I certainly got the jokes within the jokes — dressing up in a wetsuit, scaling a rubber mountain, stealing a diamond. Of course, if not now, when?"

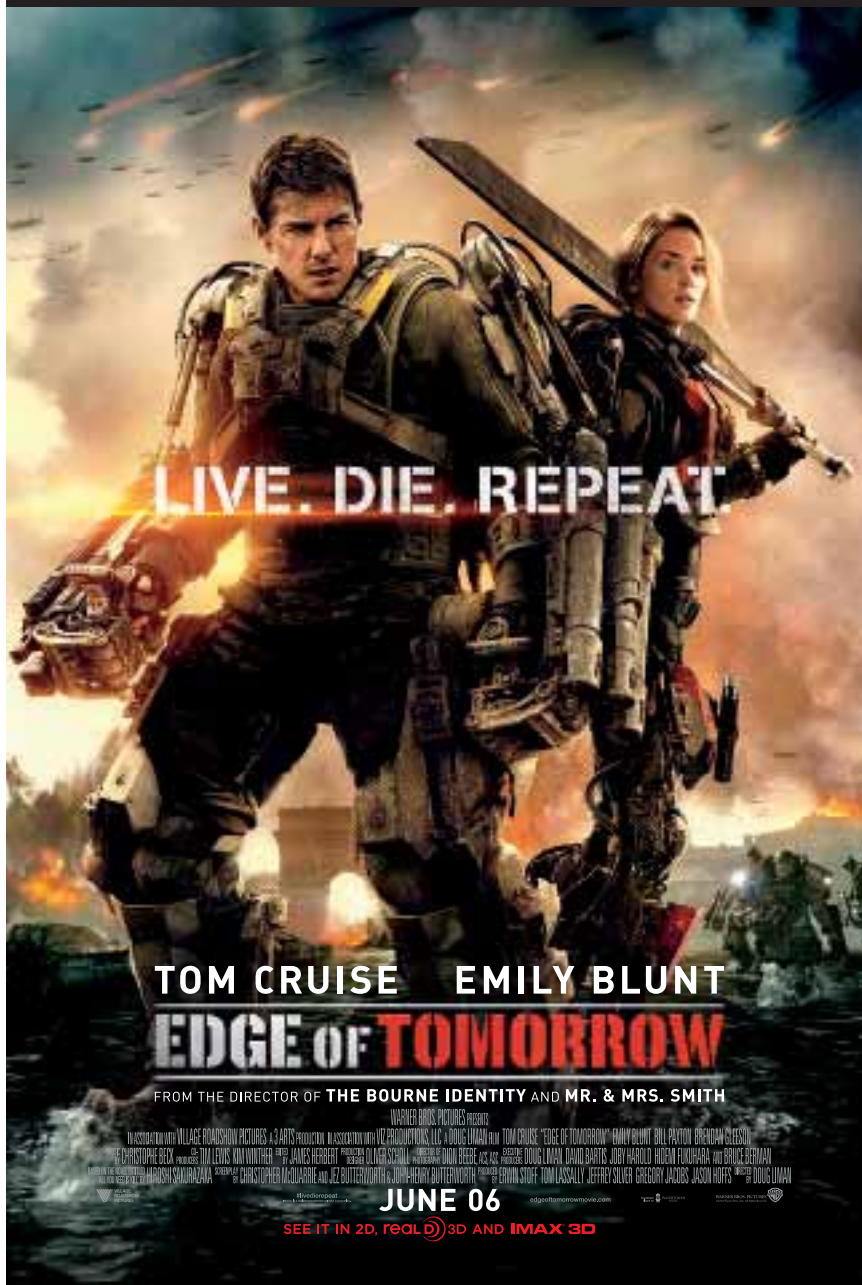
Pierce Brosnan on comedic nods to his prior role as James Bond

we started the play. They had lovely French lunches where there's wine — they actually sat us out front on the Croisette. Then we went back to work and continued our day, and that's how the shoot went. So it was very civilized, very otherworldly romantic. I mean, it's a retro-type film.

How do you get the right tone for a screwball comedy like this?

It has to start with sincerity and honesty and a good story. It has to be founded within the truthfulness of character and storytelling, so that you can then go off the rails but always come back to it. And in this case, this man is middle-aged, divorced, playing the field with women that are too young for him — that man-boy type mentality. There was a good, strong foundation in that. So for me it was always that, and then ... wetsuits.

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A mother's fight against the paparazzi



Kristen Bell takes a turn behind the long lens in *Veronica Mars*. ROBERT VOETS/ WARNER BROS. PICTURES

Born into fame? Actress Kristen Bell is waging war against tabloid photos of children with the No Kids Policy

Suri Cruise did not ask for fame. Yet she's been chased by cameras practically from birth, with no choice in the matter, because her parents are Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes.

Kristen Bell is exasperated just thinking about it. "Suri Cruise is not fictional. She's a real little girl ... and it's just not fair," Bell says.

The 33-year-old actress and mother has been leading a growing movement among Hollywood stars aiming to reduce media demand for paparazzi images of celebrity kids, and she's using the plight of eight-year-old Suri as an example.

Launched in January, Bell's No Kids Policy gained almost instant traction by hitting the entertainment media where it hurts: celebrity access, which translates into viewers, readers and profits.

Bell got a bunch of stars, from Jennifer Aniston to Jennifer Lawrence, who agreed to decline interviews with TV and text outlets that use paparazzi photos or video of children that were taken without their parents' consent. Then she met with entertainment media executives and told them either agree to her No Kids Policy or celebs will stay away.

Now, through upcoming media interviews and meetings with "mommy bloggers," Bell is taking her cause directly to consumers, asking them to consider the circumstances around the starry images that beckon at grocery check stands.

"There is no way for a child to wrap their head around the

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fact that they are a cog in this machine," Bell said in a recent interview. "All they experience is the predatory sense of being hunted."

And the actress would sooner quit the business than subject her 11-month-old daughter, Lincoln, to such a media scrum.

"I like being an actress very much," she said, "but I love be-

ing a mother and it is a very clear decision which one I would choose."

Bell and her famous colleagues can't outright refuse interviews as they leverage the power of celebrity to stomp out invasive imagery of kids; contracts typically obligate them to promote their movies and shows. But they can be picky about which outlets they'll work with.

Star-driven shows and magazines such as Entertainment Tonight and Us Weekly, which rely on images from freelance photographers and independent photo agencies to help illustrate their stories,

say it's easy to support Bell's effort. But their interpretations of compliance vary.

Entertainment Tonight executive producer Brad Bessey said he would not use paparazzi-generated photos of celebrity kids under any circumstances, while Us Weekly editor-in-chief Mike Steele might consider such images in cases of breaking news involving the children.

Steele said the new policy hasn't impacted editorial operations at the magazine, other than requiring an extra step to get consent from celebrity parents before publishing images of their kids. Some agree and

some don't, he said.

Like other entertainment news outlets, Us Weekly also uses social media for pictures of star children, which are inherently approved when posted by their celebrity parent.

So with varying sources for kid photos — approved or not — how does Bell monitor compliance? She and her publicist are doing it themselves, they say, and it isn't easy.

Tuan, a freelance paparazzo who shoots for the Phamous Photo agency, said he hasn't seen any change in demand for his pictures, which sometimes include unauthorized images of celebrity

Pictures of kids still sell

Two major celebrity-photo agencies, Splash News and x17, continue to distribute paparazzi images of children. Both declined to be interviewed for this story.

- Weekly magazines Life & Style, OK! and In Touch, and websites such as TMZ, haven't signed on to Bell's policy and continue to publish paparazzi pictures of kids. TMZ and OK! did not respond to multiple requests for an interview.

- Bauer Media Group, which publishes Life & Style and In Touch, did not grant an interview, but said in a statement that its editors follow "rigorous guidelines." The company did not elaborate.

- In Touch magazine runs a weekly feature called "oh baby!" filled with images of celebrity kids. A recent issue included various shots of Miranda Kerr and Orlando Bloom's three-year-old son.

kids.

"We have these long lenses and keep our distance. We let them enjoy their weekend," Tuan said. "The kids generally don't know what's going on."

It is not illegal in California to photograph a minor in public, but such photos can't be used commercially without a release. And steps are being taken in the California legislature against photographers who harass children of the famous.

Yet the power of celebrity and a mother's drive could be the most effective force of all.

Says Bell: "I'll argue until my dying day that my daughter should not be affected by my career choice."

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"I like being an actress very much, but I love being a mother and it is a very clear decision which one I would choose."

Kristen Bell, actress



Miley Cyrus ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Miley to Billy Ray: A reality show wouldn't be the Best of Both Worlds

Oh, how the tables have turned. While Miley Cyrus got her start in entertainment thanks to the guidance of dad Billy Ray Cyrus, it now looks like she's advising him on his career decisions. "Billy Ray has turned down what must be his sixth reality show offer in the last four years because Miley has been very strict with her parents about not doing them, even though they have been offered a fortune by all the big players, including Bravo, Lifetime and

E!, to open up their home to cameras," a source tells Radar Online. "Miley would much rather do a Christmas special or a concert at the Hollywood Bowl with her dad rather than watch him embarrass himself like Bruce Jenner on TV every week." Apparently the offers were getting lucrative enough to be very, very tempting, the source says. "But ultimately she was very thankful they came to an understanding that it would be a bad idea."

Charlize Theron loving the single life at 38 years old

Charlize Theron has never been married and she couldn't be happier about it. "I'm sure some people would be like, 'I would never want to have that life.' I'm sure there's a lot of aspects to my life that a lot of people wouldn't want. Like the fact that I'm single at 38. That's not necessarily what a lot of women want," she tells Esquire U.K. "But I'm just saying, a life is good if it's the life that you want. I am living my life in a way that if tomorrow it ended — and I hope not, because I



Charlize Theron

have a kid — but if it did, this was the life that I really wanted to live. But I work at that, you know?"

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Uh oh! Video surfaces of 1D's Zayn and Louis smoking pot

MELINDA TAUB

Metro World News

Ah, a squeaky clean pop group's first big scandal. Someone put this in the photo album: Video surfaced this week of One Direction stars Louis Tomlinson and Zayn Malik smoking a joint in a van.

The Daily Mail has the full video. Louis, who's also the cameraman, says that the group are on their way out of Peru. Marijuana is not particularly legal in Peru, although possession of under eight ounces is decriminalized, and Louis makes clear that he knows what they're doing is not

exactly kosher. While filming their police motorcycle escort, Louis jokes, "He's having a look. He's thinking, 'I'm sure I can smell an illegal substance in there,' and he's hit the nail on the head."

Zayn, on the other hand, is a less chatty stoner. He doesn't say much, just smokes, and beams, and chants "Mary J. Blige" in falsetto.

So world, are we going to be shocked by this? I know it's illegal and all, but at this point it's barely illegal most places. I think I'd be more shocked if two teenish dudes weren't smoking pot than if they were. Plus, they just seem so very proud to be Big Boys Doing Drugs that it's a little hard to stay mad at their cute little faces. I imagine those same faces have gotten them out of every scrape they've ever been in. OK, now I'm getting mad again.



Denise Richards

Denise Richards house-hunting after Charlie Sheen kicks her out of her home

Denise Richards and her children are apparently on the hunt for new digs after ex-husband Charlie Sheen reportedly kicked them out of the house in which they'd been living and sold it to a friend, according to the National Enquirer. Sheen initially purchased the home for Richards, but his lawyers "have been working with

Denise on vacating the premises," a source says. "Charlie has wanted Denise out of the gated community — where he also lives — for months, and his porn star fiancée, Brett Rossi, has been pushing for it, too." Sheen and Richards have been clashing lately over child support and how much time Sheen can spend with the children they share.

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Outdoor rugs more stylish than ever

The outdoor floor.

Weave a summer spell with colourful runners and natural grass rugs



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An outdoor rug can offer more than just comfort underfoot. It can also lighten, brighten and freshen up a dull outdoor space. Fashioned after indoor styles, an outdoor rug can help make your adjoining outdoor space's decor reflect your indoor style — a great way to extend the feeling of your home during warm weather months.

Size: Choose a size of rug that helps to define a sitting area. As in choosing an area rug for the inside of your home, make sure the front legs of your patio furnishings sit on the rug. This will create the perimeter of your outdoor



Juice up the patio with a shot of orange for the summer months. **Miami Lattice Outdoor Rug, 5 x 8 ft., \$69, UrbanBarn.com.** ALL PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

room no matter how large your outdoor space.

Shape: On a small or squared-shaped deck, consider using a round rug to add a soft line

to the outdoor seating space. Consider runner-length carpets for long skinny balconies or a series of square rugs to help define various small areas on the balcony.

Colour: A fashionably coloured rug will help to add personality and create a focal point in a space without a view or other focus.

Neutral and less colourful rugs are perfect to tie a seating plan together without taking away from colourful furnishings.

Materials: Most outdoor rugs are made of synthetic fibres like olefin or polyester and plastic. There are also natural grass weave rugs. These are most suited for covered areas such as balconies or porches.

Although made for outdoors, never dismiss the idea of using an outdoor rug inside your home if you need a durable and affordable carpet. Children's rooms, arts and crafts areas and busy entryways are just a few areas that would fare well with an attractive yet durable carpet.

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A greener solution for pond lovers



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DIY. Eco-friendly solution keeps pond life sparkling clean

Nothing adds a perfect touch of summer to a patio or garden quite like the soothing look and sound of a backyard pond. But as most pond owners know, it's a season-long struggle to keep the water looking clean and sparkling, instead of cloudy and sickly. The easy, non-chemical solution to pond preservation is a water ionizer, which uses natural minerals to keep a water scene clean, green, and perfect for pet fish.

How to install

The eco-friendly apparatus is a small but worthwhile investment. It comes together with a few easy-to-install parts: A flow chamber, a copper probe, and a control panel. The flow chamber will be connected to the pond's water circulation pump and the copper

More backyard solutions

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low-voltage electrical current. The current creates copper ions, which are then dispersed throughout the pond water and reduce the build-up of algae. The control panel can be used to set the amount of copper ions being produced, depending on the size of the pond.

Creating a balance

While the water ionizer prevents the build-up of algae, using it too aggressively may kill the good bacteria, which are essential for the plants and animals in the pond. Making sure that the right amount of copper ions are being deposited can be done by testing the pH level in the pond (it should be between 7.2 and 7.6). Small, occasional use of household

cleaners such as bleach may also be used to speed up the effects of the water ionizer without harming wildlife. Chlorine is not recommended, since it may stain the lining of the pond.

Keep it clean

The copper probes for the water ionizer should also be checked on a monthly basis to make sure that they're clean and working properly. Depending on how big or crowded the pond is, they may have to be replaced part-way through the season. Remember that regular maintenance is still very important. Be sure to keep the pump and filter clean, and occasionally vacuum the floor of the pond in order to keep it glistening and healthy!

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Smoking involves both science and art (I think art weighs a little heavier into the equation). The combination of seasonings, time, temperature and type of smoke flavour can vary with every project—resulting in a different result every time.

When it comes to investing in a smoker, ask yourself how involved you want to be in the process. An electric or propane smoker means you can set it and forget it and end up with an excellent product. New models offer digital options and are nearly foolproof. If you want to test your skills and patience and have a lot more options of what you can do with your smoker, then a charcoal model is probably right for you.

Shel Zolkewich writes about food, travel and the outdoors when she's not eating, on the road or playing outside. Got a food story idea? shel@shelzolkewich.com



Pulled pork is best when it's smoked low and slow.
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Al fresco gets into a vegan state of mind

Grilled Eggplant Sandwiches. Try a filling that's just as satisfying at meat

"Simple yet full of texture and flavour, these sandwiches can be prepared ahead of time and taken with you if there are no cooking facilities at your picnic spot," writes Carla Kelly in her book *Vegan al fresco*. "However, if you can grill on location, bring the marinated eggplant in containers and put sandwiches together using eggplant strips hot off the grill."

1. In a large flat container with

Ingredients

- 1 medium eggplant, , about 1 lb (500 g)
- Marinade**
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) white wine
- 2 tbsp white balsamic vinegar or vegetable stock
- 2 tsp toasted cumin seeds
- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- 1/2 tsp dried tarragon
- 1/4 – 1/2 tsp chili flakes
- salt and ground black pepper, to taste

- Chive Butter**
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) finely chopped fresh chives
- 2 tbsp finely chopped shallots
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) vegan margarine
- To Assemble**
- 4 long baguette-style rolls
- 2 fresh ripe tomatoes, sliced
- 2 cups baby spinach



COOKING TIME
20 MINUTES

This recipe serves four. TRACEY KUSIEWICZ/FOODIE PHOTOGRAPHY.

a resealable lid or in a large zip-close bag, combine all marinade ingredients.

2. Cut eggplant in half lengthwise, then into 16 1/4-inch (6-mm) wide strips. Place eggplant slices in bag with marinade and toss to coat. Marinate for at least 1 hour (longer is better). Turn after 30 minutes.

3. In a small bowl, combine chive butter ingredients. Cover and chill until required.

4. Preheat barbecue to high (or

broiler, if using oven) and grill eggplant slices for 20 minutes, turning as required until both sides are golden and a little caramelized. While grilling, split rolls lengthwise and lightly toast if desired.

5. Spread rolls with chive butter. Place tomato slices, greens, and red onions on 1 side of each sandwich. Top each with 4 slices of grilled eggplant.

RECIPES FROM VEGAN AL FRESCO: HAPPY & HEALTHY RECIPES FOR PICNICS, BARBECUES & OUTDOOR DINING BY CARLA KELLY (ARSENAL PULP PRESS, 2014)

Cookbook of the Week

For barbecues, backyards and beaches



There is something about eating outside, so it's no surprise that al fresco dining is becoming popular. In *Vegan al fresco*, Carla Kelly prepares elegant vegan dishes for outdoor dining. The book includes prep and cooking times, advice on portability, and menu suggestions for special occasions. In sections such as Sandwiches and Spreads, On the Grill, and Ready Built Salads, it includes recipes for Samosa Spring Rolls, Macaroni Salad, Chickpea Sausages, Hazelnut Latte Cupcakes and more. **METRO**

Mojito-Inspired Tofu

1. In flat container with a resealable lid or in a large zip-close bag, combine juice, rum, mint, agave, oil, garlic, lime zest, and salt. Add tofu and marinate in refrigerator for 1 hour, turning after 30 minutes.

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup (60 ml) + 2 tbsp fresh lime juice
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) light rum
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) finely chopped fresh mint
- 1 1/2 tbsp agave
- 1 tbsp canola oil

2. Preheat barbecue to medium heat. Lay down a sheet of aluminum foil lightly brushed with oil. Grill for 3–4 minutes each side until golden, basting frequently with leftover marinade.

- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 tsp lime zest
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1 lb (500 g) extra-firm regular tofu (water-packed), drained and pressed, sliced widthwise into 12 rectangles



This recipe serves four people.
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Aaron Hernandez

Spilled drink led to 2012 murders: Prosecutors

Prosecutors say former New England Patriots tight end Aaron Hernandez gunned down two men in their car in 2012 after one of them accidentally bumped into him at a Boston nightclub, spilling a drink.

Hernandez pleaded not guilty in Suffolk Superior Court Wednesday afternoon in the shooting deaths of Daniel de Abreu and Safiro Furtado. A third man was wounded.

Prosecutors say Hernandez became agitated and told a friend that de Abreu had deliberately bumped him. Prosecutors say Hernandez later tracked down de Abreu and his friends and opened fire on their car from an SUV.

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L.A. Clippers

Sterlings may sell team before Donald booted

Shelly Sterling is reviewing bids from five groups interested in buying the Los Angeles Clippers, and a deal could be struck before next week's owners meeting provided both she and her estranged husband Donald relinquish total ownership in the team.

A person with knowledge of the negotiations told The Associated Press on Wednesday if an agreement to sell is reached before next Tuesday, the league's owners wouldn't meet in New York to vote on terminating Donald Sterling's ownership.

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Canadiens' Bourque reborn in playoffs

NHL playoffs. Montreal forward has 8 goals in playoffs after scoring only 9 in regular season

There was a running joke during the NHL regular season about how Rene Bourque would almost score, or almost complete a pass, or almost make a hit.

Not a lot went beyond the "almost" stage for Bourque as the former two-time 27-goal scorer with the Calgary Flames finished 13th in team scoring on the Montreal Canadiens with nine goals and seven assists in 63 games.

But in the playoffs, Bourque has arrived.

The left-winger's hat trick in Game 5 of the Eastern Conference final helped Montreal stave off elimination with a 7-4 victory over the Rangers and gave them new life heading into New York for another win-or-go-home matchup in Game 6 on Thursday night.

The Rangers lead the best-of-seven series 3-2 and must win at home to avoid a return to the hyper-energized Bell Centre for Game 7 on Saturday night.

"At the end of the regular season, we saw Rene engaged in the game a lot more, moving his feet, being physical, going hard to the net," coach Michel Therrien said Wednesday. "He's doing a lot of good things."

"You can't expect a player to score three goals every night or even score every game. But even when he doesn't score, he's playing solid hockey. He's getting involved physically."



The Canadiens' Rene Bourque celebrates with teammate P.K. Subban after scoring his third goal of the game against the New York Rangers in Game 5 of the Eastern Conference final Tuesday. PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Suspended

The Rangers will be without defenceman John Moore for at least the remainder of the series. He was suspended for two games Wednesday after receiving a match penalty Tuesday night for a hit to Montreal forward Dale Weise's head.

And last night, for me, it was leadership. It was a huge game for us. He came up big, and that's good not only for him,

but for us."

In 16 playoff games, Bourque has eight goals and three assists, and has become one of the team's most effective forwards in a duo that was put together near the end of the regular season with centre Lars Eller.

In the post-season, he's tied with Max Pacioretty for third in team scoring behind defenceman P.K. Subban with 14 points and Eller with 13. He leads the team in the Rangers series with four goals and two assists.

And he was tied for second

in NHL playoff goals with Jonathan Toews and Jeff Carter, behind Los Angeles King Marian Gaborik, who had 10.

"It was definitely a good game for me to step up and help the team," the 32-year-old Bourque said after his first career playoff hat trick.

Bourque's regular season was so bad he was made a healthy scratch for the first time in his career for five games in March, amid reports the Canadiens were trying to trade him and a contact worth \$3.3 million per year.

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Jays stretch win streak out to nine games



Jays outfielder Melky Cabrera lays down a bunt against the Tampa Bay Rays on Wednesday night at Rogers Centre. DARREN CALABRESE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The Toronto Blue Jays extended their winning streak to nine games in dramatic fashion Wednesday night with a 3-2 walk-off victory over the Tampa Bay Rays at Rogers Centre.

With pinch-runner Kevin Pillar aboard after Dioner Navarro opened the bottom of the ninth with a single, Anthony Gose dropped a nice bunt down the first-base line. Reliever Juan Carlos Oviedo (1-1) threw wide to first and Pillar came all the way around to score the winning run.

Aaron Loup (2-1) worked

On Wednesday

3

Blue Jays

2

Rays

one inning of relief for the win as Toronto completed a three-game sweep. The American League East-leading Blue Jays improved to 32-22 while the Rays fell to 23-31.

Toronto struck early with two runs in the first inning.

Jose Reyes kicked off Tampa Bay starter Chris Archer's 26-pitch frame with a single up the middle. He moved to third when Jose Bautista hit a flare into shallow right field and both runners scored on Edwin Encarnacion's single.

The Rays tied it in the second inning. Matt Joyce took a Liam Hendriks pitch off the centre-field wall for a double and Wil Myers followed with a two-run shot, his fifth homer of the season. THE CANADIAN PRESS

4 SPORTS

Canadians smashing French Open

Tennis. Raonic, Bouchard advance to third round of tournament

Milos Raonic bounced back from a troublesome first match and Eugenie Bouchard overcame a worrying first set as Canada's top singles tennis players drew on mental toughness to advance to the third round of the French Open.

Bouchard managed a 2-6, 6-2, 6-1 come-from-behind win over German Julia Goerges on Wednesday, while eighth-seeded Raonic beat Czech Jiri Vesely 7-6 (4), 6-4, 6-1 to reach the third round for a third consecutive year.

Raonic, from Thornhill,

Ont., came back from a break down in the first set and won the hour-long opener in a tie-break before taking control of the match.

Raonic said he is noticing signs of improvement on court after struggling somewhat in his opening match, a 6-3, 7-6, 6-3 win over Australian qualifier Nick Kyrgios.

"I feel like I'm playing better today than I did three days ago; I think I dealt a little bit better with when I got things figured out as far as intensity," he said.

Raonic's third-round opponent is 29th seed Gilles Simon of France, who will have a partisan crowd behind him.

"It's going to be tough," Raonic said.

Raonic and Simon have only faced each other once be-

fore, with Raonic winning on clay at the 2011 Estoril Open in Portugal.

Bouchard struggled in the first set before rallying to join Raonic in the third round.

"I wasn't worried after the first, I just took my time," said Bouchard. "I just really tried to forget about that I lost the first set and just start fresh. That's what I did for the second and third."

The 18th seed from Montreal will play Swede Johanna Larsson, who upset 12th-seeded Italian Flavia Pennetta 5-7, 6-4, 6-2.

Bouchard said she stayed mentally strong.

"I have confidence that no matter what happens on the court, I can fight and still give my best and give myself the best chance to win," she said.

Bouchard broke the 107th-ranked Goerges to end the match, taking the victory with 21 winners and conversions on six of 13 break points.

Bouchard broke twice in the second set and began the third with another break of the German as she raced to a 5-0 lead. But she lost serve in the next



Milos Raonic gets fired up during his second-round win at the French Open on Wednesday in Paris.

MATTHIAS HANGST/GETTY IMAGES

Quoted



"It was definitely more of a mental win today to get my game back in the right place."

Eugenie Bouchard, two-time French Open participant, on her victory after overcoming a weak start against Julia Goerges

game after a forehand error. She immediately recovered

a game later, breaking Goerges back and advancing on her first

match point.
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World Cup

Host Brazil faces doubters

Brazil's Deputy Sports Minister Luis Fernandes said Wednesday that Brazil would organize a successful World Cup despite what he called "prejudice" against so-called developing countries as they try to organize mega-sports events.

"We are confident that Brazil will surprise the world with a successful event in the World Cup," Fernandes said, speaking Wednesday with reporters in a teleconference.

Brazil's preparations of the World Cup, which opens June 12 in Sao Paulo, have been characterized by delays building or remodelling 12 stadiums, unfinished upgrades to airports and transportation, and criticism the \$11.5 billion being spent should have been used to improve the country's poor schools and rundown hospitals.

"There is absolutely no contradiction between a developing country hosting a major event such as the World Cup or the Olympic Games, and increasing investment in education and in other public areas," said Fernandes.

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Physical physics. 'World's smartest man' shares World Cup tips

Stephen Hawking has turned his brilliant mind toward perhaps his toughest challenge yet — helping England win the World Cup. Britain's most famous scientist, known for his theories on physics and the universe, has been commissioned by a betting company to analyze data from every World Cup England has qualified for since winning the tournament in 1966 in the hopes of coming up with a winning formula.

Hawking used his science to produce two formulas. The first one, taking into account a host of variables, describes the probability of England winning a match while the other addresses the country's penalty chances.

"Ever since the dawn of civilization, people have not been content to see events as unconnected and inexplicable," Hawking told a press conference in London. "They have craved an understanding of the underlying order in the world. The World Cup is no different." Hawking, who is known for his sense of humour,

Hawking's tips:

Quantum physicist Stephen Hawking analyzed data from every World Cup England has played since 1966, looking for ways to improve England's chances in Brazil this summer. His recipe:

- Cool temperatures
- Low altitude
- 4-3-3 lineup
- Wear red kit
- Kick off at 3:00 local time
- Penalty kicks by the side-foot after at least three steps' run-up

then said he found it more difficult to make sense of soccer than explain the mysteries of the universe.

"It is hugely complicated," he said. "In fact, compared to football I think quantum physics is relatively straightforward."

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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

If you lose interest in what you are doing today it's a sign you are doing the wrong thing. A change of scene will help but in the long-term you may have to change your lifetime ambitions.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You need to show your vulnerable side. Too often you give the impression that nothing can bring you down when, in reality, you are as sensitive as everyone else.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You may be a bit touchy over the next 24 hours. With your ruler Mercury moving into sensitive Cancer if there is anything worrying you it is sure to show up. Don't try to avoid it.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Social activities are under excellent stars today and the best way relax is to seek out people who think and act is similar ways to you. Looking for love? Find it with someone who shares your cultural interests.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Your confidence will get a boost today and you will be a lot more relaxed about your social and professional status. One door may have closed to you but within a matter of days, another door will open.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Money may be important to you but it must not be allowed to come ahead of more important things such as love and laughter. Don't think about what you own and earn, think about what motivates you.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

If there has been a dispute, now is the time to patch things up. That applies to all areas of your life but especially to business issues. There's always a solution.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Your creative powers will be at their height over the next 24 hours, so make good use of them. Also, take your pleasures where you find them and don't listen to those who say you should be more cautious.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You may have tasks to complete but now is not the time to get busy on them. As Venus, planet of harmony, moves into the wellbeing area of your chart today your best course of action is to take life easy.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

Something you found difficult before will come easier to you today. You may still have to struggle in other areas but the planets will generally give your spirits a lift and help you believe that most things are possible.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Sometimes you get so caught up in making a living that you forget there are people who love you so much they don't care what you achieve. One such person will delight you.

Pisces

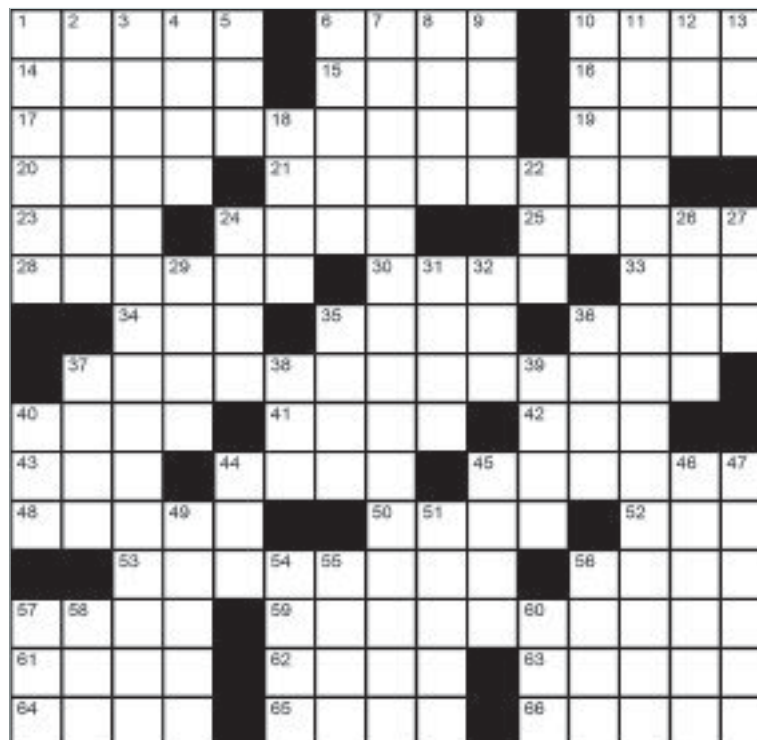
Feb. 20 - March 20

Don't worry that others might think less of you if you ease off. Worry only that if you don't take better care of yourself you might come to harm. The planets urge you to take things at a slower pace. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

- Jubilant, poetry-style
- Cole Porter's "Miss ___ Regrets"
- Lemony
- Prepares potatoes
- Stethoscope sound
- Ms. Sanders
- Canada's 'Big Five' gig: 2 wds.
- Rob Roy, for one
- Alberta town
- Canadian cartoon series, "My ___ Is Evil"
- Bond
- Manage
- DQ's 'D'
- Feels
- Dry: Spanish
- '_' in Victoria
- Spoil
- "The Simpsons" bus driver
- Slammer
- Toronto-born singer/songwriter who has rocked with Legendary Hearts: 2 wds.
- Funny lady Imogene
- God: Latin
- "Unbelievable" hitmakers
- "Entourage" superagent
- Espionage: Mata ___
- Hurriedly depart again, say
- Mountain chain
- Dianetics guru, ___ Hubbard
- Poetic preposition
- Prepped the sewing needle



- "Top _ _ mornin' to you!"
- Music's Ma
- CTV series "Motive", for example: 2 wds.
- "Lend me your ___ and I'll sing..." - The Beatles
- Knee, medical-style

- Try to unearth: 2 wds.
- Proofreading term
- Slumps
- Heavens
- Down
- Friary figures
- Net minder
- St. Lawrence, Newfoundland born

- journalist/writer: 2 wds.
- Bugling beasts
- "Earn" ender (Sincere)
- Low ship deck
- First Canadian Place in Toronto is Canada's what?: 2 wds.
- '50s series, " _ _"

- Three Lives"
- Feudal worker
- "Battle of the Blades" champ Ms. Bonhomme
- Some of the National Film Board's treasures: 2 wds.
- Copacabana city
- "Ka-boom!" stuff

- Me-me-me's
- Testimony-giver's oath: 2 wds.
- Particle physics lab near Geneva
- Staircase support
- Posh wallet's lettering
- Hall & Oates' " _ Smile"
- Quebec 'summers'
- Scam
- Terminer's court pal
- Doorway part
- Tropical island, when doubled
- Ms. LeShan
- Jukebox tune: " _ Angel"
- Vehicle variety
- Lady
- Took the bus
- Canadian actress who plays Detective Angie Flynn on the show at #59-Across, Kristin ___
- Dog training incentives
- 1990 movie blockbuster
- Romulus and ___
- Hosp. heart recordings
- Locale
- "I have no money _ _ _ on me." (Stolen-wallet-person's conundrum)
- Uh-huh
- Cereal grass
- Ike's Presidential monogram

Yesterday's Crossword

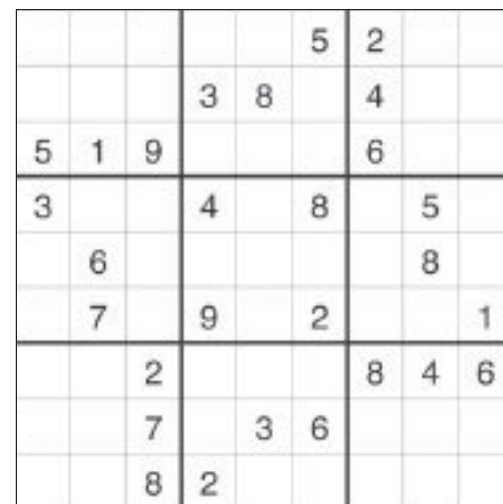
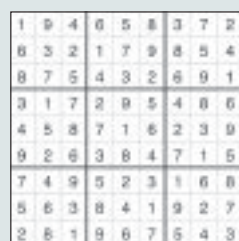


Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

Yesterday's Sudoku



Weather

TODAY



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FRIDAY



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MIN: 18°

SATURDAY



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MIN: 12°



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